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### **AFFIDAVIT**

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Personally, came and appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the jurisdiction aforesaid, the within named, Barry Cowart, who after being by me first duly sworn, on oath deposed and said the following:

- I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein. 1.
- I am an adult resident citizen of Santa Rosa County, Florida, and I am otherwise 2. competent to testify about the matters contained herein.
- On, or about, May 20, 2024, a speeding citation bearing number 25638 was issued 3. to myself and my daughter, Aiana Cowart, by an Officer with the Hattiesburg Police Department (badge number P-36) which was approved by another person named Jarvis, regarding a speeding violation by a black Nissan Sentra, license plate number 89BACI. This vehicle is registered in both of our names. To be clear, the lone speeding citation contained both of our names for exactly the same violation. (A copy of the citation is attached hereto as Exhibit "1.")
- This citation was sent to me via U.S. Mail, which I received on, or about, June 11, 4. 2024.
- The citation notified my daughter and I that we were to appear before the court on 5. July 8, 2024. We believed that when we appeared we were going to be before an actual judge.
- However, upon appearing for what we believed was going to be a hearing before 6. the court, we were met with a representative of a private entity to resolve this citation. This representative referred to our meeting with the private entity as our arraignment for the violation identified in the citation.

- My daughter and I informed the representative that we wished to contest the citation 7. and later received a notification of our true court date before the Hattiesburg Municipal Court, October 2, 2024.
- On October 2, 2024, my daughter and I were present in the City of Hattiesburg 8. Municipal Court where we were contesting the validity of the citation. During the hearing, the City Prosecutor reviewed the evidence then existing in his possession, and consulted with an Officer who was also present.
- After reviewing the evidence and speaking with the Officer, the City Prosecutor 9. agreed to dismiss the case against my daughter and I, along with approximately 33 other cases of the same nature, because the City was incapable of positively identifying the driver(s) of the vehicle(s) at the time of the speeding violation(s).

Further Affiant sayeth not.

This the 2nd day of APRIL

STATE OF FLOW COUNTY OF SCATA ROSA

On this day, Barry Cowart, came before me, stating on oath and under penalties of perjury that the facts in the foregoing Affidavit are true and correct. Sworn and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, on this the 2 day of Apol



My Commission Expires: Jm 11th. 2026

VISIT the website or SCAN the QR CODE with your mobile device to access citation information.

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### THREE OPTIONS TO ADDRESS THIS CITATION:

1. Complete a diversion program by paying a reduced fee of \$230 and watching a short video online at

www.CourtPayOnline.com. By completing the diversion program and paying the reduced fee, this ticket will not go on your driving record.

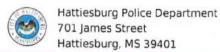
- 2. Contest this citation by visiting www.CourtPayOnline.com or calling (855) 910-1558
- 3. Pay the citation in full. By doing so, this ticket will go on your driving record. You may instead choose the diversion program mentioned above.

The original of this ticket is an affidavit and the charge noted on the face of such is officially lodged with the court when the issuing officer files same with the court.

This ticket may be disposed of by mail or personal appearance on or before the appearance date as noted. However, you have a right to a trial if you so desire

State statutes permit persons charged with an offense against, traffic laws of this state in most cases, to deposit the drivers license with the arresting officer or court in fleu of any other security to ensure said persons appearance in court wherein such charges are filed. If you effect for such charges are filed, if you effect to deposit the license as provided, and if the linck is checked indicating the drivers license is deposited, this tacket with serve as a valid driver's license, but in no case shall it be in force and effect for a period of more than thirty. (20) days from the date of the issuance of this tacket, Failure to appear or contact court by the date specified will result in the suspension of the license deposited. Making application for a duplicate license during the period when the original license is posted for an appearance may result in an additional misdemeaner charge.

State law does permit persons charged with traffic violations, in most cases, to dispose of such charge by mail or personal appearance on or before the appearance date as noted on the bicket. If you pay your fine in advance it shall constitue a waiver of further charges, arraignment and trial or if you post cash ball bond and default on your appearance and the court so elects to forfeit the bond in payment of the judgement rendered, such action shall be tantamount to entry of a piec of nois contendere by you on the charges made against you and the court may convict you of the offense stated on the first side, referring to the blocket by mail, contact the Municipal Court Clerk or the Justice Court Clerk noted on the front side, referring to the ticket's number, your name as it appears on the blocket address, etc., and inquire as to the amount of fine which may be assessed. Be sure to give your correct address and zip code so that you may be notified promptly of the fine required.



### CITATION ENCLOSED

BARRY LEE COWART AIANA DELILA COWART 5361 SARATOGA AVE MILTON, FL 32570

## **NOTICE OF SPEED**

Your vehicle was photographed speeding in a school zone by an on-scene Hattiesburg Police Department officer in violation of Hattiesburg ordinance 2721 & 1058.

Participation in the diversion program is deemed an admission of guilt and waiver of your right to appeal. Failure to deal with this citation may result in this being forwarded to a collections company, which could result in additional penalties.

#### **QUESTIONS?**

If you have questions concerning this violation, view the FAQ online at www.CourtPayOnline.com or call (855) 910-1558.

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- Contest this citation by visiting <u>www.CourtPayOnline.com</u> or calling (855)
   910-1558 to schedule your date to appear in court.
- 3. Pay the citation in full. By doing so, this ticket will go on your driving record. You may instead choose the diversion program mentioned above.

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### SECURELY PAY OR VIEW ONLINE



 VIOLATION AMOUNT:
 \$ 230.00
 DUE DATE:
 06/27/2024

 CITATION #:
 HAT25638
 ACCESS PIN#:
 412710

Pay your violation by credit card, e-Check or clip and mail check or money order made out to <u>IS-CITY OF HATTIESBURG</u> with bottom section:

www.CourtPayOnline.com

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